

### REMARKS

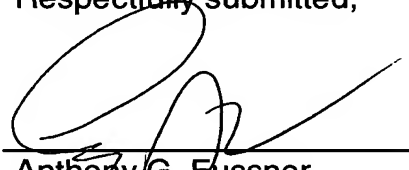
Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments to the specification and claims prior to a first examination of the Application on its merits. The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees or to credit any overpayments thereto. Prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If it would advance the prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (314) 726-7502.

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